



# Year R Newsletter



Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

## Messages

We have had an exciting week in Year R this week. We have read the story 'The Little Red Hen' and retold the story with actions. We also made our own bread and learned about how it is made, made our own art using flour and learned about labels, writing labels for the different characters in the story. In maths this week, we looked at arrangements of objects in 10 frames and played a dice game trying to fill a 10 frame with gems!

Our Nativity rehearsals are in full swing! The children have been working hard to learn all of the songs so please encourage lots of practice at home!

Thank you to all parents and carers who managed to come in for our decoration's afternoon. It was lovely to see you all and the decorations will be used to decorate the school hall as well as our classrooms!

## Notices:

- Due to Year R's busy Nativity schedule next week, we will be unable to do our usual P.E. lesson on Tuesday. However, we will be doing lots of physical activities as part of our continuous provision to ensure our bodies stay nice and strong!
- Next week, Library will be on a **Tuesday** for Madagascar and a **Thursday** for New Zealand, please make sure all children have their library books in school to enable us to renew/change them, thank you.
- On 2<sup>nd</sup> December, the children will be attending a pantomime performance in school.
- Next Friday (5<sup>th</sup> December) is 'presents day' organised by FOSJ. The children will get the opportunity on this day to go to the hall and choose a present to give to a parent or carer. More information is in the school newsletter.

### Phonics

This week we have:

- learnt the graphemes th, sh, ng and nk.
- been learning to read the tricky words 'she', 'push', 'he' and 'of'.

### Maths

Next week we will be:

- looking at different ways of representing 6 - 10 including with objects, fingers, in a 10 frame and on a bead string.

### Topic

Next week we will be:

- reading the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.
- learning about how plants grow and planting our own magic beans!

# Little Wandle - Letters and Sounds Reception Phonics Home Learning



Phase 2 - Autumn 2 Week 4  
Focus - Phonemes sh / th / ng / nk

Please support your child to practise and reinforce the phonemes and graphemes we are learning in school. More information and support can be found on the Little Wandle website - <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -



Pronunciation Phrase - sh

Show me your teeth and push the air out  
shshshshsh



Pronunciation Phrase - th

Voiced: Tongue on your teeth, teeth almost closed to make a 'buzzing' th

Unvoiced: Tongue on your teeth and push the air out  
th



Pronunciation Phrase - ng

Open your mouth a bit and then use your tongue at the back of your mouth to say ng ng ng



Pronunciation Phrase - nk

Open your mouth a bit and then use your tongue at the back of your mouth to say ngk ngk ngk

We will be reading and writing words. Can you spot segment and blend these words and spot this week's phonemes?

shell

dish

this

moth

ring

thing

pink

sink

We will be reading sentences. Can you spot any tricky words? Can you segment and blend the words and look out for this week's phonemes?

I go to the shell shop.

Can a moth quack?

The big bell can ring.

Her top has pink and red dots.

We will be practising tricky words. Can you spot the tricky part of the word?

she

he

of

go

no